IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Scott Costa et al. § ART UNIt: 3676

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Protective Sleeve For For:

Threaded Connections For §

§ Expandable Tubular Liner CONFIRMATION NO.: 6688

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED 21 JANUARY 2010

Atty. Dkt. No.: 2725-10105

Date: February 10, 2010

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Sir:

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the Office Action dated 21 January 2010. Applicants previously filed a Preliminary Amendment on 18 January 2010 to be entered before examination of the Amendment and Request for Continued Examination dated 14 December 2009. However, the Office Action dated 21 January 2010 was issued before the Examiner considered the Preliminary Amendment. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the Preliminary Amendment not be entered, and that the following amendment and response be entered for consideration:

Amendments to the Claims is reflected in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 15 of this paper.

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